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COUNTRY: CHILE [REDACTED]

SUBJ: PLANS BY FPMR AND FPMR/D FOR POST-ELECTION MILITARY ACTIONS; [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

SUMMARY: THE PCCH HAS DIRECTED THE FPMR TO ATTACK THE SANTIAGO PENITENTIARY AND ARMY INSTALLATIONS AT SOME TIME FOLLOWING THE ELECTIONS. THE FPMR/D IS ALSO PLANNING TO ATTACK MILITARY INSTALLATIONS. THE NAMES OF FPMR/D OFFICIALS WERE FOUND BY THE [REDACTED] ON THE BODY OF ROBERTO NORDENFLYCHT. AS A RESULT, THOSE OFFICIALS WHO HAD BEEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY AT THE TIME OF THE TOBALABA AIRPORT ATTACK HAVE NOT DARED TO RETURN.

[REDACTED]

TEXT: 1. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE CHILEAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCCH) HAS INSTRUCTED THE FPMR TO PREPARE ATTACKS AGAINST THE INVESTIGATIONS POLICE JAIL AND THE PENITENTIARY IN SOUTHERN SANTIAGO IN ORDER TO LIBERATE POLITICAL PRISONERS, INCLUDING MANY FPMR AND PCCH MEMBERS, AT SOME AS YET UNDETERMINED TIME FOLLOWING THE 14 DECEMBER 1989 ELECTIONS. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PRISON BREAK, THE FPMR PLANS TO ATTACK INVESTIGATIONS POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND VARIOUS MILITARY INSTALLATIONS NEAR THE PENITENTIARY INCLUDING THE AUGUSTO VARAS AND TACNA ARMY REGIMENTS AND THE ARMY ARMS AND MUNITIONS FACTORY (FAMAE). THE PCCH HOPES TO ALSO HAVE A LARGE PRESENCE OF PCCH AND COMMUNIST YOUTH (JJCC) IN THE AREAS SHORTLY BEFORE THE ATTACKS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THE FPMR ATTACKERS AND CREATE DISORDER AND CONFUSION IN THE AREAS WHERE THE ATTACKS WILL TAKE PLACE. [REDACTED] COMMENT: THE FPMR HAS BEEN ANXIOUS TO LIBERATE THEIR MEMBERS BEING DETAINED AS POLITICAL PRISONERS AS SOME OF THEM ARE FACING THE DEATH PENALTY FOR COMMITTING CAPITAL OFFENSES. ONCE THE ELECTIONS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED, THE FPMR WANTS TO STAGE A BREAKOUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE RATHER THAN WAIT FOR ANY RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS BY THE NEW GOVERNMENT. IT IS UNLIKELY THOSE PRISONERS ACCUSED OF CAPITAL CRIMES WOULD BE RELEASED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.)

2. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE FPMR/D IS PLANNING SEVERAL ATTACKS AGAINST MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND PERSONNEL FOLLOWING THE 14 DECEMBER ELECTIONS. THE LARGEST ATTACK WILL BE AGAINST THE ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT IN CHILLAN (36 36S/72 07W), BUT THEY ALSO PLAN ATTACKS AGAINST OTHER MILITARY TARGETS, ESPECIALLY IN SOUTHERN CHILE. [REDACTED] THE ATTACKS ARE BEING PLANNED TO CAUSE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CASUALTIES AMONG ARMY OFFICERS. [REDACTED]

THAT HIS GROUP WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE 14 NOVEMBER ROCKET ATTACK AGAINST THE ARMY RECREATION CENTER/PHYSICAL EDUCATION SCHOOL IN LA REINA. COMMENT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE FPMR/D HAS PROVEN ITSELF CAPABLE OVER THE YEARS IN MOUNTING A VARIETY OF ATTACKS, SOME LESS SUCCESSFUL THAN OTHERS, INCLUDING THE 1986 ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON PRESIDENT AUGUSTO ((PINOCHE)) UGARTE, THE LATE 1987 KIDNAPPING OF ARMY LIEUTENANT COLONEL CARLOS ((CARRENO)) BARRERA, THE OCTOBER 1988 ATTACK ON THE CARABINEROS OUTPOST AT LOS QUENES, THE AUGUST 1989 TOBALABA AIRPORT ATTACK, AND SEVERAL BASICALLY UNSUCCESSFUL LAW ROCKET ATTACKS ON A VARIETY OF TARGETS. THE CAPABILITIES OF THE FPMR ARE LESS WELL KNOWN, ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE CLAIMED CREDIT FOR THE APRIL 1989 BOMBING OF THE U.S.-CHILEAN BINATIONAL CENTER. IT IS NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME WHAT TYPES OF ATTACKS WILL BE ATTEMPTED BY THE FPMR AND THE FPMR/D.)

3. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SENIOR FPMR/D OFFICIAL ROBERTO ((NORDENFLYCHT)), WHO WAS KILLED DURING THE 20 AUGUST FPMR/D ATTACK ON THE TOBALABA AIRFIELD, HAD BEEN GUILTY OF SERIOUS SECURITY LAPSES IN THAT HE SHOULD NOT HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE ATTACK KNOWING THAT HE HAD BEEN UNDER SURVEILLANCE FOR TWO MONTHS PRIOR TO THE ATTACK. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORDENFLYCHT HAD ALSO HAD REGULAR ENCOUNTERS WITH PCCH SECRETARY GENERAL VOLODIA ((TEITELBOIM)), WHICH PROBABLY AROUSED THE INTEREST OF THE CHILEAN SECURITY SERVICES IN HIM. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORDENFLYCHT ALSO MADE THE MISTAKE OF CARRYING AN ADDRESS BOOK CONTAINING THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF OTHER FPMR/D OFFICIALS WHICH WAS RECOVERED FROM HIS BODY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BECAUSE OF THE NORDENFLYCHT INCIDENT, MANY OF THE SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE FPMR/D, WHO WERE OUT OF THE COUNTRY AT THE TIME OF THE TOBALABA ATTACK, HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO RETURN TO CHILE DUE TO CONCERN FOR THEIR SAFETY.

4. [REDACTED]

5. [REDACTED]

6. [REDACTED]

7. [REDACTED]

8. [REDACTED]

9. [REDACTED] COMMENT: FPMR PLANS TO ATTACK MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN ANY SIGNIFICANT WAY WOULD BE COSTLY AND MAY BE UNREALISTIC. WHAT IS MISSING FROM AVAILABLE INFORMATION IS THE INTENDED RESULTS OF THE TERRORIST ACTIONS DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT. ONE POSSIBLE OBJECTIVE COULD BE TO PRESSURE THE PROBABLE PRESIDENT-ELECT PATRICIO ((AYLWIN)) TO GIVE THE COMMUNISTS A ROLE IN THE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL PROCESS IN RETURN FOR IMPLIED CONTROL OF COMMUNIST-INSPIRED VIOLENCE. A MORE SINISTER POSSIBILITY IS THAT THE INTENDED EFFECT IS TO PROVOKE A MILITARY RESPONSE AND POLITICAL REPRESSION, WHICH IN TURN WOULD COMPLICATE THE RETURN TO A FUNCTIONING DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM. SUCCESSFUL PROVOCATION OF A MILITARY REACTION AND REPRESSION COULD ALSO TAKE THE FORM OF FULFILLING THE PROPHECY OF PRO-PINOCHET ELEMENTS THAT ELECTION OF OPPOSITION CANDIDATE AYLWIN WOULD SIGNAL A RETURN TO THE CONFLICT AND COMMUNIST-CONTROLLED TERRORISM OF THE ALLENDE ERA.)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]